

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled TIRE CONSTRUCTION METHOD FOR IMPROVING TIRE UNIFORMITY the specification of which (check one)

       is attached hereto.

  X   was filed on April 10, 2000 as Application Serial No. 09/545,929 and was amended on        (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(c) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

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